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FDA Commissioner Jane Henney FDA 5600 Fishers Lane, Room 14-71 Rockville, MD 20857

Dear Commissioner Henney:

I would like to urge you to accept the Humane Farming Association (HFA) petition to end the feeding of deceased animals to other farm animals. Cows are not omnivorous; feeding them carcasses is unnatural to their diet and dangerous to the consumer. To summarize the HFA's petition:

- Blood and blood products from mammals must be prohibited from use in animal feed and pet foods.
- Gelatin must not be used in animal feed, due to the possibility of infectious agents.
- Porcine materials must not be used in animal feed, due to the possibility of TSE.
- TSE-positive material must not be fed to animals or used in cosmetics, fertilizer, or any other products.

Implementing these regulations would be better for the health of the animals as well as the rest of us in the food chain.

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